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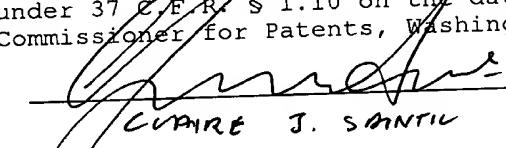
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For : NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING POLYPEPTIDES HAVING THE
ENZYMATIC ACTIVITY OF AN RNA-DIRECTED RNA POLYMERASE (RdRP)

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RULE 53(b)
CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation, divisional,
application of pending prior Application No. 08/811,583 filed March 5, 1997.

Transmitted herewith for filing are the specification; claims;
 abstract; declaration; power of attorney; Information Disclosure
Statement; duplicate copies of PTO Form 1449; paper copy of Sequence
Listing; and preliminary amendment for the above-identified patent application.

The enclosed declaration is:

- Newly executed (original or copy).
 Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)).
- A signed statement is attached deleting inventors named in the
prior application (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)).
- The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a
copy of the declaration is supplied, is considered as being
part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is
hereby incorporated by reference therein.

The prior application, Application No. 08/811,583, filed March
5, 1997, is assigned of record to Michael Wassenegger and Leonhard Riedel on
Reel No. 010488, Frame No. 0417, recorded on January 5, 2000.

Also transmitted herewith are:

- 6 sheets of:
 Formal drawings.
 Informal drawings. Formal drawings will be filed during the pendency of this application.
- An assignment of the invention to _____
- A check in the amount of \$40.00 to cover the recording fee.
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- An associate power of attorney.
- A certified copy of the priority document, _____ application, No. _____, filed _____.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed, was filed in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a)).

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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